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DISEASES OF ANIMALS

Eradication of Bovine Tuberculosis

ORDER, DATED 23RD MARCH 1973, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1958.

The Ministry of Agriculture, on behalf of the Secretary of State and in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 5, 10, 13 and 53 and the Second Schedule of the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1958(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Tuberculosis Control (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1973 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1973.

Amendment of the Tuberculosis Control Order (Northern Ireland) 1964

2. The Tuberculosis Control Order (Northern Ireland) 1964(b) as amended by the Tuberculosis Control (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1968(c) shall be further amended as follows:—

(1) In sub-paragraph (*a*)(ii) of paragraph (1) of Article 10 for the amount "£120" there shall be substituted the amount "£180".

(2) At the end of Article 12 there shall be added the following words—

"Any person who fails to comply with the requirements of a notice served on him by the Ministry under this Article shall be guilty of an offence against the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland) 1958.".

(3) At the beginning of paragraph (1) of Article 16 there shall be inserted the following words—

"Save in compliance with paragraph (6)".

(4) After paragraph (5) of Article 16 the following paragraphs shall be added—

"(6) It shall be the duty of any person operating a slaughterhouse, meat plant, knacker's yard, hide store or kennel to remove and destroy the ear tag on the carcase of every animal slaughtered at or on any carcase admitted to such slaughterhouse, meat plant, knacker's yard, hide store or kennel.

(7) For the purposes of this Article the expressions 'ear tag' and 'ear tattoo' shall be deemed to include ear tags and ear tattoos accepted as identification for the purposes of Article 17 and 18.".

(a) 1958. c. 13.
(b) S. R. & O. (N.I.) 1964, No. 31.
(c) S. R. & O. (N.I.) 1968, No. 236.